

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**A. State of the Claims**

This claim amendment replaces the claim amendments made in the paper filed by Applicants on October 25, 2004. Amendments to claim 1 have been added herein.

Claims 1-118 were pending at the time of the Action. Claims 21-118 have been canceled herein without prejudice or disclaimer. No new matter has been added. Thus, claims 1-20 are presently pending and presented for reconsideration.

B. Group Art Unit


Our records show that this application is assigned to art unit 1638, however in the Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment art unit 1636 indicated. Clarification of this matter is respectfully requested.

C. Conclusion

In view of the above, it is submitted that all objections to the patent application for non-compliance and all of the rejections to the claims have been overcome, and the case is in condition for allowance.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (512) 536-3085 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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